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## GEESE AIN'T COOK

### City says there are too few birds to worry about this year

By Natalie O'Neill The Brooklyn Paper

The city's mass extermination of geese in Prospect Park last year was so effective that it will not be repeated this summer, city officials revealed last

Hundreds of geese citywide will still be slaughtered in the name of aviation security, but

**Your official** 

bib sheet

The Nathan's hot dog-eating con-

test at Coney Island is as great a

Fourth of July tradition as fireworks,

parades and monster-truck battles.

More than 10,000 people will storm

the historic hot dog stand at the cor-

ner of Surf and Stillwell avenues to

witness history. Will Joey "Jaws"

Chestnut win his fifth straight? Will

the Chinese bring the Mustard Yel-

low International Belt back to Asia?

Will anyone burp at precisely the

wrong time? See our full guide to

the top competitors on page 5.

not in Prospect Park.

at least for now — because a federal count tallied only two dozen geese in the park, said Farrell Skle rov of the Department

mental Protection. Last year's culling, plus other humane ef-

of Environ-

Brooklyn's backyard is safe been "keeping the goose population from rebounding.

Sklerov said. The low goose count is partly due to efforts made by the Prospect Park Alliance to

control the goose pop-

posting no-feeding signs. The Department of Environ-

mental Protection refused to reveal where geese would be massacred this year, but said that several of the 2010 geese killing fields would be spared because the slaughters left too few geese to worry about this year.

That leaves wildlife advo-

forts have ulation by "addling" eggs and cates in Brooklyn feeling bit-

"It's a breath of relief — but we're not happy hundreds more will be killed in the same brutal fashion," said David Karopkin of Goose Watch, a watchdog group that has been monitoring geese in the park.

Currently, there are just See **GEESE** on page 5



Brooklyn — she's already booked two on Labor Day weekend

## KA-CHING!

### Borough love\$ gay marriage

**By Aaron Short** The Brooklyn Paper

Now that gays can get married, the only color of the pride rainbow

A mere 48 hours after the state legalized gay marriage, gay-friendly businesses and ministers started scram-

knot in Brooklyn this summer. Greenpoint Reformed Church's Rev. Ann Kansfield has vowed to officiate the borough's first gay marriage and she's offering to hold the recep-

bling to offer wedding discounts to

the first same-sex couples to tie the

INSIDE

The only Brooklyn pol against gay marriage! **SEE PAGE 3** 

tion at her Milton Street church. "Of course, we'd be more than happy to have small wedding parties in our social hall, which looks

really pretty when it's all decorated," said Kansfield See MARRIAGE on page 3

### **Made in China**

### Nathan's contest is coming out party for the People's Republic

**By Gersh Kuntzman** 

The Brooklyn Paper The new Red Scare is upon us.

America's new-found bogevman The People's Republic of China will seek to claim its greatest victory over the United States next week, sending its three top competitive eat-

ing on July 4. 'We've awakened the sleeping giant," said George Shea, the president of Major League Eating, the governing body of all stomach-centric sports and the overseer of the annual frankfest in Coney Island, which is set for noon on Independence Day. "Given how

the Chinese are dominating America,

it would be mere hubris to believe that

they will not someday dominate us at

ers to the annual Nathan's hot dog-eat-

the Table of Champions." Will it happen this year? Unlikely.

But that's what Americans were saying a generation ago, when a similar Asian invasion landed on these shores in the form of Hirofumi Nakajima, the diminutive destroyer whose victory over Ed "The Maspeth Monster" Krachie in 1996 began what historians call "The Rising Bun" era of professional eating. "No one saw them coming then, just

as no one sees the Chinese coming today," Shea said. "This is literally a crisis that is 'Made in China.'' The good news is that America is ready for its greatest challenge. Though

we may be falling behind in solar power technology, hydroelectric flooding and rice-making, in this one sphere

See **NATHAN'S** on page 5



egation of Chinese eaters at this year's July 4 contest at Nathan's in Coney Ísland.

## Firehouses saved from city budget ax

By Thomas Tracy

The Brooklyn Paper

The city's annual budgetary dance is over - and the eight Brooklyn firehouses that Mayor Bloomberg threatened to close didn't flame out after all.

Firehouses expected to be

shuttered in Dyker Heights, Park Slope, Brooklyn Heights, Williamsburg and Coney Island - making up 40 percent of the proposed 20 citywide closures were left unscathed, and more than 4,000 city teachers kept their

jobs, when the music stopped

on June 24 and Bloomberg and the Council finalized the city's \$66-billion budget.

"I'm ecstatic," said Fran Vella-Marrone, president of the Dyker Heights Civic Association, which was fighting to keep Engine 284 on 79th Street and 11th Avenue

open. "The first priority of this city is to ensure the safety of its citizens, so this was a wise decision. This engine company plays an integral part in the safety and security of Dyker Heights and the neighborhoods that sur-

The annual budget battle is a kabuki dance that typically features a mayor intent on cutting vital services, only to allow himself and Council leaders to claim credit when those services are "restored"

in the final agreement. But before the agreements

**Brooklyn is bad-driver central** 

are reached, the public plays a supporting role in the form of protesting citizens. This time around, at least, an actor joined the drama, as "Boardwalk Empire" star and former firefighter Steve Buscemi spoke at two fire-

See **BUDGET** on page 5



Actor and former firefighter Steve Buscemi at a rally in

## 'Grain' of deception

### Meet the state 'vegetable'

**By Moses Jefferson** The Brooklyn Paper

State senators may need to name themselves the official

though corn is a grain.

state vegetable!

In the worst redefinition of the word "vegetable" since the Reagan Administration briefly suggested that ketchup was one, the Senate voted last week to name corn the state vegetable even

The 56-6 vote ended the hopes of onion lovers that their beloved vegetable — which is actually a vegetable — might win the honor.

A bushel of Brooklyn legislators disgraced the borough by voting for a grain to be the state vegetable.

Despite the fact that corn doesn't need the help, I'm happy to support it as we head into BBQ season," said state Sen. Daniel Squadron (D-Brooklyn Heights),

See CORN on page 11

#### THE FACTS

So what is corn? It's definitely not a vegetable, that's for sure.

Corn, like wheat and rice, is a caryopsis, technically the dry fruit of the reproductive part of the plant.

The fruit of a sweet corn plant is its kernel, and to get even more technical on you, corn is a monocot, like many grasses, because it has one seed leaf instead of two, which would of course make it a dicot. And since corn is a monocot, there is always an even number of rows of kernels - count 'em if you don't believe us.

But no matter what our state legislators believe, corn is definitely not a vegetable. – Aaron Short **By Thomas Tracy** 

The Brooklyn Paper You want a wild ride? Come to Brooklyn!

Borough motorists are wildly violating the city's vehicular traffic rules, according to stunning traffic data released the NYPD released this week.

Statistics show that cops have written 121,241 moving violations in Brooklyn this year the most in the city.

Queens came in second with 107,781 violations, Manhattan was third with 97,507, followed by the Bronx (62,652) and Staten Island (23,652).

Well over 30,000 of the tickets were given out in Brownstone Brooklyn, North Brooklyn and Bay Ridge. The biggest offenders were motorists who talk on their cellphones without hands-free devices, but that's no surprise since the city has held several crack-downs on

such gabby drivers. There's an enormous amount of data to wade through, so here are a few highlights:

**Bay Ridge and Dyker** Heights

• Biggest offense: 1,003 tick-

ets for not wearing seat belts. • Smallest offense: Two vio-



More than 121,000 traffic violations were handed out in Brooklyn this year. Motorists along Prospect Park West were cited for driving without a license and for driving while talking on a cellphone without hands-free devices

lations each to motorists caught backing-up unsafely, failing to keep to the right side of the road and for cars without license

• Most surprising offense: 684 tickets were given out to motorists who disobeyed stop signs.

#### **Carroll Gardens and Red Hook**

• Biggest offense: 1,327 tickets were given out to drivers talking on their cellphones without nands-free devices.

• Smallest offense: One ticket was given to a motorist who followed the car in front of him too See **DRIVERS** on page 11



founding director Jeffrey Horowitz, Deputy Mayor Pa-

tricia Harris, theater Chairman Ted Rogers, director Ju-

lie Taymor and actor Mark Rylance.

### By Kate Briquelet

The Brooklyn Paper

A renowned Shakespearean troupe will finally have a home in Fort Greene, thanks to the city's hefty \$34-million contribution to move the Manhattanbased company into its first freestanding theater. for a New Audience groundbreaking were (from left)

Theatre for a New Audience broke ground last Friday on its long-delayed, Hugh Hardydesigned glass playhouse on

Ashland Place in the heart of the BAM Cultural District, Brooklyn's slowly emerging answer to Lincoln Center.

A panoply of locals pols — plus failed "Spider-Man" director Julie Taymor, who will helm the troupe's first production in spring, 2013 — were on hand for the June 24 ceremony for the \$48-million, 299-seat theater.

"We're walking on air," said Dorothy Ryan, managing direc-

Theater breaks ground tor for the troupe. "The cultural district has created a great opportunity for us. This area has the opportunity to be the new Off-

Broadway." The theater—a glass box with gun-metal gray sides in a former parking lot near Fulton Street will overlook a new public plaza and feature event and rehearsal studios and a lobby cafe. Inside,

seating and staging will be flex-See **THEATER** on page 11

### Rooftop Films bust

### Cops shut down Williamsburg screening

**By Meredith Deliso** The Brooklyn Paper

Cops shut down a popular outdoor film screening last week in Williamsburg over a liquor dispute — the latest in a nightlife crackdown on the hip neighborhood.

During a Rooftop Films screening last Thursday at a vacant lot at Wythe Avenue and S. Second Street, nearly a dozen cops from the 94th Precinct broke up the show and issued summonses to attendees

for drinking in public.

Organizers say the owner of the lot had a permit for beer and wine, it just wasn't on the premises at the time.

"We believe the officers were in the wrong to stop the event, but had little recourse at the time," Rooftop Films said in a statement. "In 15 years of hosting public events, we have never had a show stopped in the middle due to any violations, and are disappointed at the occurrence."

The statement added that the

group is working with the Community Affairs office to "ensure

that no such incident happens in the future." According to one attendee

who wished to remain anonymous, the cops showed up around 9 pm, towards the end of a set by Erika Spring. When she finished performing, the officers issued the summonses and kicked out the nearly 150 peo-

The short films will be See **ROOFTOP** on page 11



Mayor Bloomberg tickled the ivories in DUMBO on Monday, sitting down at the crocheted piano crafted by artist Agata Olek.

### **Rat invasion** Yards site faces plague

#### By Kate Briquelet The Brooklyn Paper

Neighbors of the Atlantic

Yards project say that freakish, cat-sized rats coming from the construction site are invading their homes, gnawing on their cars, eating through garbage cans, and climbing up their legs.

We don't have a normal rat problem — we have a rat tsunami!" said Karen-Ida

Scott, a resident of Dean Street near Sixth Avenue. "This is way beyond anything that can be handled with individual complaints.

We're way past that.'

festation on developer Forest City Ratner's construction work in the Vanderbilt Yards, which will house the Barclays Center for the Brook-

Residents blamed the in-

See **RATS** on page 5



## EYE OF THE STORM THE WORLD'S BEST CYCLONES COVERAGE



Nelfi Zapata accepts the much-deserved congratulations from skipper Rich Donnelly after homering on Sunday off New York Yankee star Phil Hughes in the Cyclones' win over the Baby Bombers on Sunday.

## TTA BOY!

#### The inside story of how a Cyclone hit a homer off a New York Yankee

**By Dan MacLeod** The Brooklyn Paper

Nelfi Zapata's Sunday night homer was a major deal for the minor-leaguer.

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-his first homer of the year ican catcher sent a chan- and something that his Cyclones teammates are still talking about.

The Yankee all-star made

Island Yankees on Sunday and dominated the punchless Clones, striking out seven in just 4-1/3 innings, keeping the minor leaguers off balance with a mix of breaking balls and a 93-mile-perhour fastball.

But there's one pitch he wants back - the fated offspeed delivery to Zapata, who told us that he was expecting a fastball.

But the catcher made a quick adjustment on the 1-0 pitch, which Hughes left out over the plate.

Zapata turned on it, cut-ting the Yankee lead in half and sending Hughes - who had just made his 61st pitch in what was supposed to be a 60-pitch outing - to the less-than-luxurious MCU Park showers.

Later, the veteran complemented the rookie.

"Both at-bats he was taking good swings, he seemed like a pretty good hitter," Hughes told the Daily News.

Zapata's homer kickstarted his teammates, who scored four runs in the next two innings and cruised to a 5-3 win.

Zapata was still feeling the buzz two days later.

"It feels great, hitting off a major leaguer," he said during warm-ups before Wednesday's home win against the Aberdeen Ironbirds

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### The games of the week

#### By Gersh Kuntzman

The Brooklyn Paper

It was a mixed week for the Cyclones, what with a road sweep by the pesky Hudson Valley Renegades. But the Brooks turned it around.

#### **Cyclones 1** Renegades 4

June 23 at Hudson Valley

The first-place Cyclones were a bit punchless in losing to their upstate rivals, managing just five hits and striking out eight times.

Starting pitcher Carlos Vazquez was effective early, but tired, giving up seven hits in his 4-2/3 innings. The wheels came off the bus in the home fifth, when three runs scored, two of them unearned thanks to third baseman Richard Lucas's error.

The lone Clone run scored on J. B. Brown's RBI single in the sixth.

#### Cyclones 1 Renegades 5

June 24 at Hudson Valley

The Cyclones dropped their second straight to the Renegades in an even more punchless fashion as their 4-1 loss the night before, getting just two hits on the night.

Starter Jeffrey Walters didn't pitch so poorly, giving up just two runs in five innings, but the Cyclone bats let him down.

The only run for the Brooks came in the seventh, on a triple by Luke Stewart.

#### Renegades 2 Cyclones 7

June 25 at MCU Park

The Clones scored their most runs of the season in a 10-hit blitz to stop a twogame losing streak and beat the pesky Renegades for the first time this year.

The Cyclones got on the board with a three-spot in the first, thanks to a single by Ismael Tijerina, a Brandon Brown bunt that was thrown away for an error, and a Javier Rodriguez RBI double (his third of the year). The big blow in the inning was Brian Harrison's two-run single.

Brown doubled in the third and later scored on Richard Lucas's single.

Other insurance runs scored in the fifth (on Brown's solo shot), sixth (on Juan Torres's solo shot) and seventh (on another solo homer by Brown) innings to give starter Chris Hilliard all he needed.

The starter raised his record to 2-0 with an incredible 0.87 ERA.

Brown was 3 for 3 on the night with four runs scored and two RBIs

#### (himself).

Ironbirds 1

Cyclones 6

June 26 at Aberdeen

The Cyclones had their secondstraight laugher, beating up on the Ironbirds with timely hitting, great pitching and, oh yeah, five errors by the home team.

Starter Marcos Camarena was impressive, giving up just two hits in six innings. The only blemish was an unearned run in the sixth, after the Cyclones were already ahead 5-0.

The Clones got all they needed in the second inning, when two runs scored

thanks to two errors by Ironbird pitcher Aaron Wirsch. Another error in the third plated the

Cyclones' third run. In the fifth, the Cyclones got some legitimate runs on a two-run single by Brian Harrison.

Brandon Brown added a solo shot —

#### his third in two games - in the ninth. Cyclones 1

Ironbirds 0

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June 28 at Aberdeen

In a pitcher's duel, the Cyclones clawed their way to take the three-game series from the Ironbirds on the road.

The Clones gave up only five hits and struck out six, thanks to pitching from southpaws Carlos Vasquez and Orlando Tovar, who each struck out two.

The Cyclones scored the only run of the game in the second inning on doubles by Richard Lucas and Charles Thurber.

The only threat of the night came in the eighth, but pitcher Hunter Carnavale induced a grounder for an inning-ending double play.

The Cyclones return home vs. the Hudson Valley Renegades at MCU Park [1904 Surf Ave. at W. 17th Street in Coney Island, (718) 449-8497] on

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## **Golden makes history**

### The only Brooklyn senator to oppose gay marriage

**By Thomas Tracy** The Brooklyn Papei

State Sen. Marty Golden is proud to be on the wrong side of

Golden (R-Bay Ridge) was the only Brooklyn state senator to vote against same-sex marriage late on June 24 — yet at his first public appearance hours after the historic civil rights vote, the Catholic cop-turned—politician remained adamant that barring gavs from entering into the same marriage contracts as non-gay couples is the right thing to do.

"My faith guided me, as it has throughout my political career, in deciding what is right and what is wrong, and as such, I couldn't and didn't vote to legalize same-sex marriage," Golden told Knights of Columbus members before a pre-Fourth of July parade along 13th Avenue in Dyker Heights last Saturday — just hours after the Senate passed the controversial marriage equality bill with a slim

33-29 vote. Gov. Cuomo signed

the legislation minutes later.

'We must continue to oppose this challenge to our faith and this destruction of the sacrament of marriage," Golden added.

His comments echoed a state-

ment that he put out last Friday

night to voice his opposition to the biggest civil rights vote in his political career. "An issue of this magnitude should have been given to the people of this great state to de-

cide, not 62 men and women," he said in a statement that called for a public, California-style referendum on same-sex marriage. Golden clarified the point the next day: "If the people of this state

decide to redefine an institution which is older and more sacred than our own democracy, then so be it. But the state Senate should not have been the ones to do it. For us to think that we have the authority to redefine a Holy Sacrament, based on the pressure of well funded special interests, is a manipulation of that which we



State Sen. Marty Golden was the only Brooklyn senator to vote against gay marriage. The only one.

were sent here to do."

His Brooklyn colleagues, all eight of whom backed gay mar-

"It's rare that we have an opportunity to vote on something with as personal and immediate an impact on our constituents as marriage equality," state Sen. Daniel Squadron (D–Brooklyn Heights) said. "On Friday night, we lived up to the values on which New York and this country were founded ... and we set an example that I hope the rest of the country quickly fol-

Even state Sen. Carl Kruger (D-Brighton Beach) — who voted against the bill in 2009, but was outed as a homosexual in a recent FBI probe — voted for the measure, claiming that legalizing same-sex marriage was "the reaffirmation of what a family is.

Golden's vote was expected, as was his disgust with the entire issue. Earlier this year, Golden had said that his constituents "don't give a rat's ass" about gay mar-

The comment prompted more than 100 gay marriage supporters to protest outside of Golden's

Fifth Avenue office. And on Monday, many of Golden's constituents again showed that the comment was not true.

"He voted the wrong way," explained Shawn Patrick, who works at Mejlander and Mulgannon, a deli on Fifth Avenue. "I didn't vote for him the last time and I won't vote for him next time.'

Liz, a bartender at the Full Moon Saloon on Fifth Avenue, was also outraged by Golden's stance.

"What the f-k?" she said. declining to give her last name. "I'd like to sit him down and give him a talking to.'

Some Golden supporters still like the senator — but also didn't like his vote on marriage "I like Marty," explained Kathy,

an employee of Skinflints on Fifth Avenue. "I would still vote for him gay marriage is just one is-Golden's vote will loom large

in his re-election campaign next year — or at least that's the hope of Bay Ridge Democratic District Leader Kevin Peter Carroll, though no Democrats have come forward to take on the five-term legislator.

"He's become quite out of touch with the voters," Carroll said. "We're going to do what we can to get a fresh new face in the Senate

Golden isn't the only Brooklyn legislator opposed to gay marriage. Before the Senate took up the bill, the measure passed the Assembly with an 80-63 vote but without the help of Assemblymembers Peter Abbate (D-Dyker Heights), Nicole Malliotakis (D-Bay Ridge), Inez Barron (D-Canarsie), Steven Cymbrowitz (D-Sheepshead Bay) and Dov Hikind (D-Borough Park).

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The new law goes into effect on July 24.

Marriage has been taboo for homosexuals for so long that it's likely that many gay couples July 24.

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So far, Kansfield has

booked two weddings, one

for Labor Day weekend and

one in October — but she's

still hoping to schedule a cer-

emony on July 24, the first

day that the state officially

recognizes same-sex mar-

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ner later this summer.

"I am grinning non-stop and waiting for the end of July when the law will take effect," Lippman wrote on her Facebook page. "What the new law gives us is the chance to marry civilly, to get a marriage license and the various rights it conveys.'

But religious leaders aren't the only ones popping the champagne now that the law was changed.

Brooklyn's restaurants, hotels, caterers and floral shops should be cashing in with the wave of weddings that will be thrown together in the next few months.

State officials estimate

lion windfall, as 21,000 couples are expected to wed in New York this year, in addition to the 45,000 people from less-tolerant neighboring states, such as Pennsylvania and New Jersey, where gay marriage isn't legal. Count Borough Pres-

could bring in a \$391 mil-

ident Marty Markowitz among those GLAAD that gay marriage passed - and that Brooklyn will receive the benefits.

"This is a win-win for businesses but I think the couples will benefit the most they have the same rights and responsibilities that heterosexual couples will enjoy and that means equality in eyes of the law. They win

ready putting together special rates for gay couples eager to get hitched. DUMBO's Water Street

Restaurant and Underwater Lounge will announce its discount packages for gay couples this week, while Irondale in Park Slope is offering a 50-percent discount for same-sex weddings. And the Skylight One

Hanson, a reception hall inside the borough's most phallic-shaped building, is offering a 20-percent discount for gay weddings on account of the state's watershed law But that's not all.

Rose Red and Lavender's Kim Sevilla is offering 10-percent off to first 10

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occur before October. And she's offered to cater Brooklyn's first gay wedding with free wedding cupcakes -based on flavors inspired by the beloved members of the Golden Girls. "I thought it was really important to be vocal about gay marriage because my aunt, who passed away 10 years

ago was a lesbian," said Robicelli. "I want my kids to grow up where there's nothing shameful about my aunt and her new wife. And there's nothing shameful about be-







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Range Rover on York Street The 58-year-old victim told police that she parked near Jay Street at 8 pm. When she returned 90 minutes later.

## Cops say they have the iPhone thief!

Southside-Bushwick

one of the boozy combat-

ants smashed his glass over

an's purse on Manhattan Av-

41-year-old man in the

A perp struck an 18-year-

old man with a metal pipe on

The victim was near Sc-

holes Street at 3:30 am when

the perp approached him and

hit his arm before fleeing into

a Meserole Street building.

Lorimer Street on June 26.

he was near Stagg Street at

3:15 am when the perp ap-

proached him and cut his left

Three gunmen stole thou-

sands in jewelry and watches

from a Grand Street shop on

at 4:25 pm, with one flash-

ing a black firearm and de-

manager's feet with duct

manding the goods.

The perps entered the store

The perps tied the store

A perp stabbed a 32-year-

The victim told police

Shoulder stab

Taped up

Union Avenue on June 26.

the back and ran away.

Long metal

**Purse snatch** 

enue on June 26.

**Back stab** 

on June 25.

er's face.

**Black sheep** 

#### **78TH PRECINCT**

Park Slope Cops say they have nabbed a thief who swiped two iPhones on consecutive days last week - but they couldn't have done it without a brilliant open-field tackle by a

In the first incident, the perp grabbed a new iPhone 4 from a 34-year-old woman on the corner of Fifth Avenue and Eighth Street at 10:40 pm on June 20 before fleeing into the subway station one block away.

The next day, the thief was at work again, this time on Seventh Avenue, sneaking up from behind a 29-yearold woman as she listened to music on the device at around 11 am.

The thief made his move near 10th Street, snatching the iPhone and darting westbound, where a heroic 35-year-old man tackled him and held him until authori-

#### Big conspiracy

A bandit ransacked an Eighth Street apartment on June 23, making off with computers and some inter-

national currency. The 30-year-old victim told cops that she left the unit — between Fourth and Fifth avenues - at 7:45 that morning. When she returned at 6 pm, she found the window to the fire escape open, and her Dell and Mac laptops, as well as Canadian and Australian bills, missing.

#### Paper trail

A potty-minded thief did the old switcheroo, grabbing a woman's purse from Bar Reis on Fifth Avenue on June 16 and exchanging it with a toilet-paper filled bag.

The 29-year-old victim left her bag at the watering hole between Fifth and Sixth streets at around 11 pm. When she returned to grab it, she found a different black bag — this one filled with a roll of toilet paper - in its place.

The victim lost an ABC Home gift card worth \$60, her keys, and the black leather bag itself, worth \$345.

- Jared Foretek

#### 77TH PRECINCT **Prospect Heights**

coln Place on June 20.

A jerk snatched a cellphone from a woman on Lin-

told cops she was approaching her apartment near Washington Avenue at 9:05 pm when a man shouted, "Give me your phone!'

He didn't wait for her to do so, snatching the Blackberry and running away.

#### Senior scam

A group of scoundrels conned a senior citizen out of thousands of bucks on Washington Avenue on

The 72-year-old woman told cops that she was leaving a bank near Lincoln Place at around 11:30 am when two men approached her and flashed a bag full of cash, but then tricked her into withdrawing \$9,500 from her own account and handing it over.

— Natalie O'Neill

#### 88TH PRECINCT Fort Greene-Clinton Hill Walk in park

Some thug robbed a woman at gunpoint in Fort Greene Park on June 23, the latest incident in the crime-

riddled greenspace. The victim told cops that she was near Willoughby and St. Edwards streets at around 12:30 am when an unknown man approached her from behind and put his hand over her mouth. He then pulled out a silver handgun and pointed at her head, demanding her purse, phone and wallet. The victim complied and the robher fled

It's just the latest crime for an area that has seen thieves strike at least six times in the past three weeks. The rash of crimes prompted the 88th Precinct to assign more police in and around the park.

#### **Hole ordeal**

Someone cut a hole through the wall of a Gates Avenue apartment between June 18 and 19 to steal half a dozen gadgets and a suit-

The victim told cops that he left his home, which is near St. James Place, at 6 pm and returned the next day to discover that the window of the adjacent apartment had been forced open and a connecting wall had been torn up. Two televisions, his iPad. two laptops and his suitcase were taken.

#### Greene grab

Cops arrested two guys for swiping the iPhone from a woman sitting on a Greene

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Avenue stoop on June 21. Cops say that the woman was hanging out near Grand Avenue at around 12:30 am when the two perps ran up to her, snatched her cell and fled. Police say that they collared both thieves later that

#### **Mad hatter**

Some guy wearing a purple and yellow cap robbed two guys at gunpoint on Washington Avenue on June 23.

The victim told cops that they were between Lafayette and Greene avenues at around 4:50 am. The Lakers-colors-wearing perp approached, pulled out a handgun and stated "Gave me everything you got." The guys handed over their wallets and the thief fled.

#### Cambridge con

Cops arrested a guy who allegedly stole a Macbook from a Cambridge Avenue apartment on June 23.

The victim told cops that she was working in her home office, between Gates Avenue and Fulton Street, at around 10:30 am when she heard someone creeping around. She then spotted an unknown guy and called the cops. The thief fled with her laptop, but police nabbed their suspect later that day.

#### Kids' play

A teen mugged a 14-yearold kid on Clinton Avenue on June 17.

The young victim told cops that he was near Park Avenue at 7:30 am when the perp approached and demanded his wallet. "I'll hurt you," the juvenile offender threatened.

The victim handed over his wallet, which contained a debit card, and the perp departed.

#### **Mall rat**

Someone stole \$9,000 were of jewelry from an Atlantic Terminal Mall kiosk on June 25.

Cops say that there are mall security videos showing the thief breaking the lock on the kiosk, near Flatbush and Atlantic avenues, at around 9 pm to steal the goods.

– Alex Rush

#### Street. Train push Two thieves stole a com-

**BrooklynPaper.com/blotter** puter from a woman on Union Avenue on June 22 after pushing her to the ground. 90TH PRECINCT The woman was heading

to the J-train station near S. First Street at 8:25 am when the perps approached A man smashed a pint her, shoved her roughly, and glass over another man's took her laptop. face during a drunken meiPhone snatch lee at a S. First Street bar

elry and fled down Humboldt

A thief grabbed a womon June 26. an's iPhone on Montrose Two men were battling Avenue, setting off a mad inside Rye, a bar near Roechase that led to his arrest bling Street, at 4 am, when on June 21. another man tried to break The woman was walking up the brawl. That's when her dogs near Leonard Street

#### the would-be peacemakand took the fancy phone. With pups in tow, the victim chased after the thug, and A thief grabbed a womtwo witnesses held him for

at 11:46 pm when the thief ap-

proached her from the front

**Jobsian effort** The woman told police Two perps stole a man's that she was near Scholes iPhone on S. Second Street

Street at 4 am when the thief on June 19. approached her from behind, The man was near Bedford pushed her down and took Avenue at 11:40 pm when the perps grabbed him. "Give me vour cellphone," one said, and A violent thug stabbed

#### the man obliged. White flight

back on Division Avenue A bike-riding, knife-toting thief chased down a vic-The victim told police that tim on White Street on June he was near Broadway at 7 20, eventually getting him to pm when the perp approached cough up \$260. from behind, knifed him in

The victim was hanging out near Bogart Street at 4:36 am when the perp rode up and

asked him for a cigarette. When the victim said no, the perp demanded cash, another request that was greeted negatively.

When the victim fled, the thief gave chase, eventually corning the man near Johnson Avenue, where the victim gave up the cash.

#### old man in his shoulder on **Lots of burgs**

There were at least four burglaries in the area last week. Here are the gory details:

 A thief stole instruments from a Hope Street music studio on June 21. The victim told police that he left his workplace near Roebling Street at 10 pm, and returned four days later to find his keyboard, Fender guitar, and telecaster missing.

· A thief stole more than \$12,000 worth of tools from a River Street storage facility over the June 17 weekend. The business owner of

tape, grabbed \$8,775 in jew- the unit near Metropolitan Avenue lost saws, drills, and

#### hand tools were missing. · A thief stole a laptop from a S. First Street apart-

ment between June 22 and The tenant left her apartment near Havemeyer Street at 10 am, but when she re-

turned the next day, her stuff was missing. • A thief stole a computer and iPad from an apartment on S. Fifth Street near Bedford Avenue between 9 am

#### and 7:45 pm on June 20. Truck safe

A thief stole \$2,845 from a safe inside a company delivery truck on Montrose Avenue on June 24

The driver parked near Lorimer Street at 12:25 pm, but when he returned four hours later, he saw the safe was unlocked and the cash was gone.

— Aaron Short

#### 94TH PRECINCT Greenpoint-Northside

**Total baloney** 

Four thieves thought they pulled off the ultimate crime - stealing a box of Oscar Mayer lunchables in a tightly planned operation at the Duane Reade on Kent Street on June 22 — but were later collared.

The thieves broke into the store near Manhattan Avenue at 6:49 am, with three serving as lookouts.

They grabbed the delicious, though highly salty, treat and fled

Police say they found the perps later that day. It is unclear whether the food had been consumed.

#### Street shot

A thug fired two shots at a 27-year-old Polish man on Driggs Avenue on June 21, striking him in his leg and grazing his head.

The victim was near Morgan Avenue at 6:40 am, when he heard shots and felt a pain in his leg. He was taken to Elmhurst Hospital and treated.

#### iPhone grab

A group of fast-moving goons grabbed a woman's phone and bag on Bayard treet on June 22.

Leonard Street at 11:30 pm when four perps, two of whom were on bicycles, surrounded her.

One grabbed her bag off her shoulder, causing her to drop her phone - which another perp grabbed, before they all fled toward Bedford Avenue.

#### **Player played**

A thief stole a video game ystem and games from a Humboldt Street home on

A witness saw the thief entering the house near Norman Avenue at 11:45 pm, and leave an hour later with the property. — **Aaron Short** 

#### 84TH PRECINCT Brooklyn Heights-

DUMBO-Boerum Hill-Downtown

#### Food bank

A burglar stole more than \$100 from a popular Atlantic Avenue brunch spot on June 22 The chef and owner of

Linger Lounge told police that she left her restaurant at 9:45 pm and returned the next morning to find the cash register open.

She said that the burglar entered her business, which is near Third Avenue, through a window and took \$130.

#### **Fitness test**

A shady gym rat stole two cellphones and a wallet at a fitness club on Joralemon Street on June 25.

The 42-year-old victim told police that he finished his workout at the Equinox near Court Street and entered the locker room at 7 pm. He hung up his pants and went into the shower, but when he returned minutes later, his

The jock had left his locker unfastened, allowing the thief to snatch two Blackberry phones and a Louis Vuitton wallet.

Police recommend not leaving valuables unat-

#### Savage beating

A cold-blooded marauder beat a man unconscious on Bergen Street on June 19.

The 32-year-old victim told police that he was near Third Avenue at 12:30 am when a strange man approached him and pummeled his face with brass knuckles. The victim suffered two black eyes, a bloody nose and memory loss.

The man was rushed to a nearby hospital before po-

#### lice arrived. **Parking loot**

A thief stole an iPad and navigation system from a

the driver's-side window was broken and her tech toys were

#### Wheel bad

A thief stole a 1997 Honda van from Bergen Street on June 22.

The 50-year-old victim told police that he parked near Hoyt Street at 9:30 am. When he returned at 6:30 pm, his vehicle was gone.

#### **Shopping lift**

A grifter swiped a woman's wallet at a Fulton Street sneaker shop on June 22.

The 24-year-old victim told police that she was shopping at the store near Elm Place when a man bumped into her at around 2:45 pm. She went to a store next door and realized that her billfold was missing.

The thief got away with her college ID, credit cards, \$225 and a monthly Metro-

#### Mace attack

A woman fired pepper spray at a man inside a Schermerhorn Street checkcashing business, attacking him and a 5-year-old girl on June 20.

The 21-year-old man told police that he was in the shop near Third Avenue at 1 pm when the angry lady fired the Mace at him and others.

The toddler was transported to Brooklyn Hospital, and police arrested two suspects. **High-tech pain** 

#### A rogue hit the digital

jackpot when he broke into a car on Concord Street overnight on June 20. The victim told police

that he parked near Prince Street at 10 pm and returned the next morning to find his rear passenger-side window smashed and his tech goodies gone. The thief got away with a

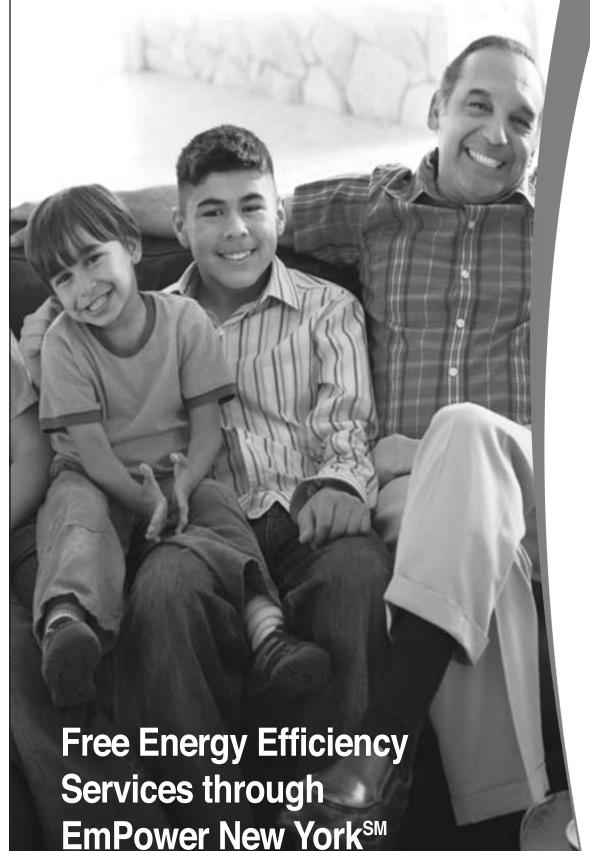
navigation system, an iPod, laptop, hard drive, suitcase and clothing.

#### Wakeup haul

A sneaky thief lifted a wallet and cellphone from a sleeping man on a 2 train

on June 19. The 37-year-old victim told police that he dozed off on a Manhattan-bound train and woke up at Borough Hall at 1:30 am to discover that his jeans pocket was inside out and his billfold, mobile

and \$73 were gone. It's a reminder of the clas-See **BLOTTER** on page 11



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## 'Vespa Mom' crash lawsuit

#### Husband wants 'justice' for death of wife and mother of three

**By Jared Foretek** 

for The Brooklyn Paper A Fort Greene man whose wife was run down by a Treasury Department agent while she rode her Vespa last July intends to sue the department to hold it responsible for his

wife's death

Michael Dalton filed a notice of claim against the federal government, giving the feds six months to settle the case before the wrongfuldeath suit goes forward.

"I want some measure of justice for myself and my kids," the husband, Michael Dalton, told the Daily News, which first reported

Chestnut is no stranger to Pa-

cific Rim competition, hav-

to the sidelines last year.

Chestnut remains the

world record holder, with

a stunning 68 hot dogs and

buns in 10 minutes. And last

week in Beijing, before a tele-

vision audience of one billion

people (give or take), he ate

record this year," Shea pre-

dicted. "No one can beat

him. But what about next

year, or the year after that?

These Chinese are not go-

attack is Yat Ming Lam, a

32-year-old clerk who has

been a competitive eater

since 2006. Little is known

about the diminutive bureau-

crat, but he has eaten 44 Ger-

man sausage in eight min-

utes and a four-person portion

of Japanese noodles in five

you talk about temperament,'

is Lu Ming Kui, a 31-year-

old from Qingdao. Lu will

join his countrymen after a

visa snafu almost killed his

chances. Major League Eat-

ing reached out to Secretary

of State Hillary Clinton, and

suddenly the visa problem

"When you talk about Yat,

Also on the Chinese team

Spearheading the Chinese

ing anywhere.'

minutes

Shea said.

disappeared.

"He will break his world

39 HDBs in five minutes.

Dalton quit his job at Barclays to take care of the couple's daughter and two sons after the accident at DeKalb and Clinton avenues last July 8, when his wife, Aileen Mc-Kay-Dalton, was struck by a Ford SUV while riding her powder-blue scooter. The SUV was being driven by a Treasury Department agent named Joel Murphy. Two witnesses said that he ran a red light, and another witness said Murphy was speeding.

The NYPD originally called the crash an accident, but District Attorney Charles

ton refused to acknowledge



Aileen McKay-Dalton

Hynes reopened the case after neighbors, friends and family of the dead woman com-

But Hynes's investigation also determined that Murphy was not criminally negligent.

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operation with a rising eco-

nomic and competitive eat-

In the end, all he received for the death was a single NYPD traffic summons.

"We did a very thorough investigation," DA spokesman Jerry Schmetterer told this paper.

Murphy-- who hasn't returned calls to his Louisiana home — didn't show up at a separate state safety hearing in April about the matter, at which three witnesses testified.

Another hearing is set for July.

If a wrongful death suit is eventually filed, the Treasury Department—not Murwill be on trial, as

people - so you have to be-

lieve that out there in Beijing

or in Shanghai, in Lhasa or

in Hangzhou, or in the tiny

peasant villages of Jingdong,

4-man portion Japa-

nese noodles in five min-

•1 kg steak and 500

•50 cm sandwich in 20

• 10 layer dessert waffle

g of vegetables in seven

Murphy was allegedly travelling in an official capacity when he hit Dalton. The United States Attorney for the Eastern District will defend the agency.

'From the time of the accident the U.S. government took all appropriate action in evaluating the tragedy," said Robert Nardoza, a spokesman for the federal prosecutor.

But Dalton wondered if Murphy felt like he had impunity because he worked for the government.

"Is it because as a federal agent he felt he didn't have to

ing any women challengers

obey the law?" he asked.



### Ferry good news

What are you waiting for?

The Brooklyn Paper

This boat's afloat!

City officials are happy as clams with a new East River commuter ferry, which more than 7,300 people boarded in its first three days of paid service.

'I would call this a roaring success," said Economic Development Chairman Seth Pinsky, whose agency is administering the service.

New York Waterway signed a three-year \$9.3-million contract with the city earlier this year and launched its expanded ferry route this month, picking up waterfront commuters in DUMBO, Williamsburg, Greenpoint before dropping them off at Wall Street and Midtown.

After providing two weeks worth of free rides, the company began charging \$4 for single rides on Saturday.

No one knew if commuters would flinch at the price. But the numbers have been

"It's less crowded, but it seems to be running very smoothly," said Community Board 1 member Ward Dennis, who took the ferry on Monday and Tuesday. "I'll probably take it a few times a week at least." The city estimated that if the ferry could

attract 400,000 riders in its first year, the service would be successful. Early ridership is ahead of that pace — but then again, it's the summer.

A previous ferry operator, New York Water Taxi, fizzled for lack of all-year commuters and city subsidies.

But Billybey Ferry Company CEO Paul Goodman was confident his company would avoid a similar fate, noting that ridership has 'exceeded our expectations" and was confident "high demand" for the boats would continue through the year.

So far, New York Waterway recorded ,500 rides over the weekend plus another 2,824 on Monday. Goodman can count on transit loyalty

from Williamsburg commuters such as Priscilla Terrero, who compared the service to "free yoga," and contemplated buying an unlimited monthly pass for the summer months.

"It's so relaxing! — It's just a great idea and it's right there," said Terrero. "My commute is about the same time as if I was taking the L, but I get to see the city from another angle.

#### of global competition, Amering power. Zogang, or Ningnan there Geopolitics aside, the Chiany role in the resolution of ica can truly say that it is a must be a champion simply this crisis, or, in fact, to conworld leader. nese have one thing in their waiting to be discovered," The reigning four-time firm that she even received favor: raw numbers said Shea. "They have one billion world champion, Joey "Jaws" our letter," she said. "But I The Chinese are not send-

Here come the eaters ing defeated Takeru "The Tsunami" Kobayashi three times, even vanquishing him

NATHAN'S

Joey Chestnut

domination.

Profession: Competitive eater Background: The fourtime champion, Chestnut brought the Mustard Yellow Belt back to America after years of Japanese

Successes •66 hot dogs and buns

in 12 minutes •7-1/2 pounds of chicken wings in 12 min-

•9 pounds, 5 ounces of

deep fried asparagus in 10 minutes •47 grilled cheese

sandwiches in 10 minutes Odds: Even money

Tim Janus Age: 34

Profession: Pizza maker

Background: A perennial runner up, Janus eats with his identity concealed, like his soul.

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**Patrick Bertolleti** Age: 25

Profession: Chef Background: One of the "Young Guns" of competitive eating, Bertolleti is never seen without his headphones, which blare Jesse and the Rippers during the contest. Successes:

•47 slices of pizza in 10

•22-ounce Slurpee in nine seconds

•4-1/4 pounds of baby back ribs in eight minutes • 10.8 pounds of key lime pie eight minutes

•55 HDBs in 10 min-

Odds: 7-1

Yat Ming Lam Age: 32

Profession: Clerk Background: Has participated in competitive eating since 2006, and appeared in 50 matches. Beyond that, little is known.

Successes: • 1 kg of ice cream in

three minutes •44 German sausage in eight minutes •25 pieces of sushi in

Odds: 30-1 Tai Loi Mak Age: 36

in eight minutes

minutes

minutes

Profession: Technician/ Taekwondo instructor Background: Has par-

ticipated in competitive eating since 2006. Beyond that, little is known. Successes:

 28 German sausages in eight minutes

• 13 pieces of sushi in two minutes

• 1 kg steak and 500 g of vegetables in 15 min-

Odds: 50-1

Lu Ming Kui

Age: 31 Background: A native of Oingdao, very little is known about him.

Successes: 13 HDBs at the 2011 Beijing qualifier Odds: 99-1

this year, giving Sonya "The Black Widow" Thomas little competition in the firstever women's division this year. That contest will start at 11:30 am. Thomas is the women's world record holder. having eaten 41 HDBs. And what of Kobayashi?

The legendary gustatory gladiator - who won the contest for an unprecedented six straight years — was last seen not at the table of champions, but in the crowd on July 4, 2010, an appearance made in protest to his bitter contract dispute with Major League Eating. Towards the end of the contest, he tried to rush the stage, and was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct and trespassing.

He beat the rap, but has not rejoined the Major League Eating fold.

This year, he will again take on Chestnut, but in a bizarre stunt: he'll try to match the champion while watching the contest's live ESPN broadcast from the air-conditioned confines of 230 FIFTH, a rooftop bar and lounge in Manhattan's Flatiron District. The bar is spinning the

stunt as Kobayashi exercising his "freedom to feed in defiance of Major League Eating," but Shea just thought the whole thing was sad.

"So this is Kobayashi's life now, not competing against live athletes, but doing stunts in bars against a TV set," he said. "It is just so sad."

Nathan's July 4 contest [Surf Avenue at Stillwell Avenue in Coney Island, (212) 627-5766], festivities begin at 10 am. For info, visit www.majorleagueeating.com.

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house rallies, one in Brooklyn Heights, the other in his finalized Friday. Firehouses own neighborhood of Park may have been saved, but sev-

Slope, last month. On Monday, Buscemi said he was satisfied with this dra-

ma's happy ending. "I am grateful to the mayor for listening to the people,"

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Health and Hospitals Corporation and Administration of Children's services. The Brooklyn Pub-

 After-school programs will be reduced.

Councilman Lew Fidler

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replace retiring teachers.

paid sabbaticals.

part of the budget negotiating team, doesn't like the an-

"It's been played every after I'm gone, but this time game," said Fidler, "Just about everybody lost a little bit, but I guess that's better than some losing a lot and others being

pact that was lessoned when city's \$500 million reserves will dry up in time, he ex-

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would not comment on the trash receptacles, but said that the company has had a rodent control plan in place for two years that involves hiring an exterminator and setting and checking bait traps.

the program to assess the impact," Joe DePlasco said. The Atlantic Yards mega-

lawsuits filed by commuthe under-construction basresidential and office towthe arena is on hold.

In 2007, the developer started excavating the site at Flatbush and Atlantic avenues to make room for the arena — and that's when residents say their rat trou-

struction, which began last year, has only exacerbated the problem. A spokeswoman for the

Department of Health said

year since I've been here and will probably continue long [the budget process] wasn't a

left totally devastated.'

Fidler said cuts to federal and state aid led to the city's (D-Marine Park), who was budget shortfall — an im-

nations significantly in the

ZIP codes on and near the

its bait applications from 190

in fiscal year 2010 to 313 in 2011 for the area directly

Deborah Howard, a solution

to the rodents can't come soon

years," said Howard, 58.

'There was no rat problem

before Ratner started tearing

dodged monster-rats just to

get into her house. The ro-

dents even dragged food into

Martinez, said that he leaves

his car in Park Slope to pre-

vent the vermin from chewing through his insulation.

mony is the stuff of horror

movies, but locals are wor-

The neighborhood testi-

Another neighbor, John

Since last August, she's

down the buildings.'

the engine of her car.

"I've lived here for 15

The department increased

the council dipped into the fund. But even that cash well

"We're running out of our savings because we're continually spending it down," he said. "There will come a time that there's no money left in the piggy bank and the cuts will be absolutely devastating."

with Kate Briquelet

ried that as summer drags on

caused by microbes found

in rodent droppings, saliva

or urine - killed a 35-year-

old Long Island man. It was

the state's second death from

Locals want developer Bruce Ratner to set bait beyond the perimeter of the construction site and buy high-neck metal garbage cans for their streets. Such cans are about \$500 apiece, a minor expense for a developer of a \$4.9-billion project. For instance, buying 20 of them would be a micro-

project's cost. A company spokesman

project — delayed for years by financing troubles and nity opposition — includes ketball arena and up to 16

est City Ratner has demolished more than 50 buildings to make room for the project, according to DePlasco.

bles began. The Barclays Center con-

be spared, which was first reported by the New York

promised "goose watch" vigil to prevent another extermi-

minate geese in mid-to late June after the birds molt and ing to stop.

"We have had an abatement plan in place since before construction started and we will continue to revisit

ers, though everything but Since early 2006, For-

Officials typically exter-26 Canada geese living in Prospect Park. Last year, more than 350 geese were

> carbon monoxide - an act Goose Watch are still fight-'There's not one park we won't be watching," said Johanna Clearfield, one group

cannot fly away from work-Times, came on the eve of a

#### it will only get worse. And by worse, they mean, of course, the hantavirus. that the department saw an Last week, the extremely increase in 311 complaints rare rat-borne lung infection and increased its extermi-

hantavirus pulmonary syndrome since 1995. And the Greenpoint Gazette reported that a Manhattan Avenue man was forced to euthanize his 4-year-old dog this month after it contracted leptospirosis, a rare disease caused by contact with infected rat urine. The disease

mals to humans. Arana Hankin, the state's director for Atlantic Yards, said that she doesn't have the authority to require Ratner set bait beyond the site, but that she would ask the Department of Health to look

Scores of residents said

can be transferred from ani-

that they've been sending complaints to 311 for the past year, but they get no results — and they're probably right because the state agency that oversees the project does not get data from city 311 complaints.

#### Continued from page 1 nation this summer.

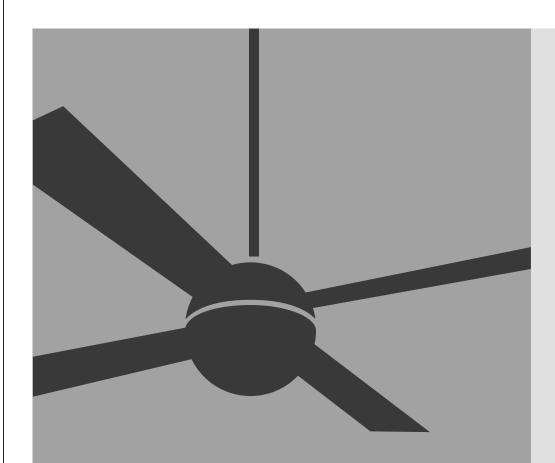
slaughtered there, plus hun-

dreds more elsewhere around The announcement that Prospect Park's geese would

ers who corral them into pens before gassing them with

#### around the arena. To the east of the arena, bait applications jumped from 179 in 2010 to a whopping 501 in 2011. For Dean Street resident

enough.



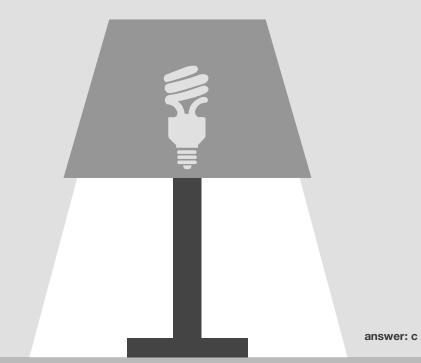
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- d. keeping bulbs and fixtures clean

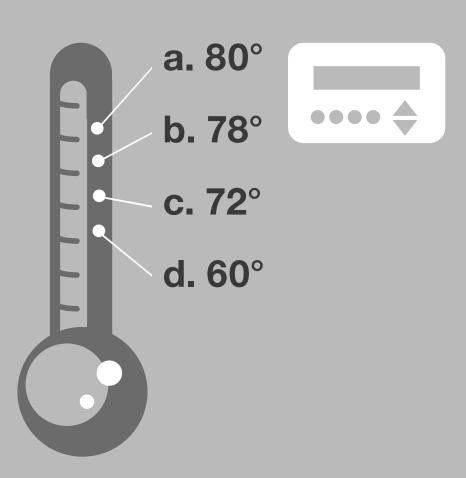


### an efficient way to keep your home cool in the summer is to...

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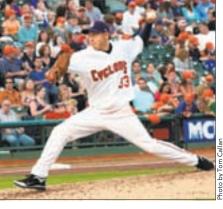


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### Here's our guide to a great Independence Day weekend

**By Meredith Deliso** 

he Fourth of July usually means two things — fireworks and hot dogs. Both are in abundance this weekend, but if you really want to blow it out, here's out guide to doing the long weekend right, from barbecues to hot concerts to, of course, some patriotic fun.

#### Watch the sky

The main display may be all the way over on the Hudson River, but you can kick off your holiday weekend here thanks to Coney Island's weekly Friday night fireworks display, with the bombs bursting right above the Deno's Wonder Wheel for a truly "wonder"-ful display.

Then, on Sunday, July 3, the Brooklyn Cyclones get in the act, with the team's own holiday extravaganza. Bring the kids for a pre-game catch on the field and running of the bases, watch the Cyclones (hopefully) whip the Staten Island Yankees, then stick around for some post-game explosions. Coney Island Boardwalk Fireworks

(between W. 10th and W. 12th streets, no phone), July 1 at 9:30 pm. Free;; Brooklyn Cyclones holiday extravaganza at MCU Park [1904 Surf Ave. at W. 17th Street in Coney Island, (718) 449-8497], July 3, pregame catch is at 3:30 pm, game starts at 6 pm. For info, visit www.brooklyncy-

Pig out

The Brooklyn Museum is all about dessert, as it hosts an ice cream social on July 2 on its private rooftop. It's one of the museum's most popular meetup for 1stfans - a \$20 membership level — and it's no surprise, given the ice cream sandwiches and fantastic views as the sun sets.

If you're holding out for the big day, Public Assembly is hosting a Fourth of July Outlaw BBO. Drink beer, eat BBO and listen to some outlaw country and hillbilly, courtesy of Bob Wayne and The Terrible Two, and Hick-ry Hawkins and



dog eating contest this Monday. (Pictured clockwise) On July 1, get into the Fourth of July spirit early, when the Coney Island Boardwalk hosts a fireworks spectacular, catch the Cyclones take on the Staten Island Yankees on July 3, and catch Nature Boy, Ric Flair, at MCU Park this Friday. (Top) Catch the Vidbel Circus at Coney Island.

ing fathers, Hank Williams and Johnny Cash, intended. Ice cream social at the Brooklyn Mu-

seum [200 Eastern Pkwy. at Washington Avenue in Prospect Heights, (718) 638-5000], July 2 at 7 pm. Free for 1stmeetup members (\$20 a year to join). For info, visit www.brooklynmuseum.org; Fourth of July Outlaw BBQ at Public Assembly [70 N. Sixth St. between Wythe and Kent avenues in Williamsburg, (718) 384-4586]], July 4 at 4 pm. \$10. For info, visit www. publicassemblynyc.com.

#### Rock out

For some good ol' fashioned roots music, head to — where else? — Jalopy in

Red Hook for a performance by the Red Hook Ramblers. On July 3, the Dixieland band will provide live accompaniment to the silent films of Charlie Chaplin, Fatty Arbuckle and Harold Lloyd, with the summer-themed picks including "A Day's Pleasure," "Coney Island" and "A Jazzed Honeymoon."

Red Hook Ramblers at Jalopy [315 Columbia St. between Hamilton Avenue and Woodhull Street in Red Hook, (718) 395-3214], July 3 at 8 pm. \$10. For info, visit www.jalopy.biz.

#### Show your patriotism

On July 3, the Bell House hosts an event we can't even properly list: "America: F-

Yeah!," a night of the BBQ, beer, brass bands and burlesque. Enjoy all four, es-pecially the music of the Outer Borough Brass Band and risque performances by Wasabassco Burlesque — hosted by Doc Wasabassco, in a Superman costume. But don't fail to participate in the "Show Us Your Patriotic Underwear Contest," which is pretty much exactly as it sounds. And if you come dressed as Wonder Woman, you'll get in for free.

"America: F— Yeah!" at the Bell House [149 Seventh St. between Second and Third avenues in Gowanus, (718) 643-6510], July 3 at 8 pm. \$10. For info, visit www.thebellhouseny.com.

Get physical

Coney Island will be home to some amazing feats this Fourth of July weekend. First up, on July 1, MCU Park hosts TNA Wrestling's BaseBrawl," a grand slam night featuring such TNA wrestling personalities as "The Nature Boy" Ric Flair, Olympic Gold Medalist Kurt Angle, "King of the Mountain" Jeff Jarrett, I'NA knockout champion Mickie James and more bringing some wrestling action with them.

Then on July 4, the neighborhood would be home to circus acts once again as the Vidbel Circus, a one-ring extravaganza featuring trapeze artists, jugglers and equestrians, sets up tent through Labor Day.

But little compares to the circus that is the annual Nathan's hot dog-eating contest at the original frankfurter stand at the corner of Stillwell and Surf avenues. Yes, we all know that Joey "Jaws" Chestnut is likely to win for the fifth straight year, but anything can happen (and usually does).

TNA Wrestling's BaseBrawl" at MCU Park [1904 Surf Äve. at W. 17th Street in Coney Island, (718) 449-8497], July 1 at 7 pm. Tickets \$25-\$90. For info, visit www. brooklyncyclones.com: Vidbel Circus (near the Boardwalk and Stillwell Avenue in Coney Island), July 4 at 3, 5 and 7 pm. Tickets \$10, children 2 and under are free. For info, visit www.circusvidbel.com; Nathan's Famous (Stillwell Avenue at Surf Avenue in Coney Island), noon.

#### MUSIC

Once upon a time, Los Lobos was just another band from East L.A.

More than 30 years since releasing their debut album, the Wolves have become one of the foremost Latin music bands around



Since 1984, the Grammy Award-winning band has had the same lineup, helping to perfect its wide-reaching blend of traditional regional Mexican folk music like cumbia and boleros, rock and roll, blues, R&B, and coun-

try — plus a killer version of "La Bamba," for the 1987 Ritchie Valens biopic.

On July 8, Los Lobos brings its stellar live act to the Prospect Park band shell for Celebrate Brooklyn, where the forefathers of Chicano rock will be joined by some of the new guard on Latin rock scene: Mexico City's Hello Seahorse! and, from around these parts, elec-

And then, the wolves will howl.

Los Lobos at Celebrate Brooklyn at the Prospect Park band shell [Ninth Street and Prospect Park West in Park Slope, (718) 683-5600], July 8 at 7 pm. Free. For info, visit www. bricartsmedia.org. — Meredith Deliso

#### FILM

tro rockers Zigmat.

### 'View'tiful

Brooklyn Bridge Park's Movies with a View outdoor film series returns next week — with a movie called "Manhattan."

Forgive the snub, and head to Pier 1 on July - after all the Spike Lee of Manhattan never made a movie called "Brooklyn," so this is the next best thing.

This summer tradition is focusing on the "view" part of the name, as most of the films screened have a Manhattan focus—which only makes sense, given the city views from the park at the foot of Old Fulton Street. Woody Allen's 1979



dramedy is a nostalgically black-and-white study on arrested development, starring Allen and Mariel Hemingway as his much younger love interest. Diane Keaton, who shares the bench with Allen's character in the iconic shot under the 59th Street Bridge, is the more ageappropriate flame. It's a must-see, even if it is about that other

borough.

"Manhattan" at Pier 1 [Old Fulton Street at Furman Street in DUMBO, (718) 802-0603], July 7 with seating starting at 6 pm and the movie beginning after sunset. Free. For info, visit brooklynbridgepark.org. — Meredith Deliso

#### THEATER

### Play the play

This year's Game Play Festival offers as many different types of shows as there are We have the most diverse selection of acts

this year," said Chris Chappell, producer of the Brick Theater's three-



year-old festival. "The concept's pretty simple combining performance and gaming but there are so many different ways that it can manifest itself."

Chappell's own theater company is adding to the mix with "Brain explode!," a live-action,

interactive adventure game where audience members navigate a character, whose brain has been wired to explode in one hour, through various obstacles and help prevent his timed doom. In more live-action game play, "Modal Kom-

bat" features a game of Tetris, where the controllers are guitars, and the audience yells out each move to the players. It was a hit at last year's festival.

"You wouldn't really see it anywhere else," said Chappell.

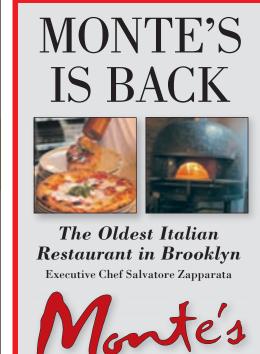
As usual at The Brick, opening night on July 8 consists of a free cabaret — a preview of all the shows, so you can decide which ones are worth putting a quarter in the slot for.

Game Play Festival at the Brick [575 Metropolitan Ave. between Union Avenue and Lo-. rimer Street in Williamsburg, (718) 907-6189], July 9-31. Tickets \$15 (opening night cabaret on July 8 is free). For info, visit www.brick-– Meredith Deliso









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### **EDITORS' PICKS**

### **SATURDAY**

July 2



#### Suit up

One year after the Douglass-Degraw pool almost closed, the Boerum Hill community is celebrating its re-opening and another summer of cannonballs with an outdoor party. There'll be live music, games and food just remember, wait 30 minutes after eating until you dive in.

2:30-5 pm. Block party for the Double D Pool [Douglass Street between Third Avenue and Nevins Street in Boerum Hill, (718) 625-3268]. Free. For info, visit www.friendsofdouglassgreenepark.org.

#### WEDNESDAY

July 6

#### **Blonde** bombshell See Marilyn Monroe on the big screen as

Sugar Kane Kowalczyk, the shakin' and shimmyin' singer who stole hearts in the mad-cap comedy, "Some Like it Hot," part of BAM's 14-film retrospective on the timeless blonde icon.

**SUNDAY** 

July 3

4:30, 6:30 and 9:50 pm. "Some Like it Hot" at the Brooklyn Academy of Music [30 Lafayette Ave. between Ashland Place and and St. Felix Street in Fort Greene, (718) 636-4100]. Tickets \$12 (\$7 members). For info, visit www.bam.org.





#### Eastern ed

The Brooklyn Museum offers an exhaustive exhibition on Vishnu, the blueskinned Hindu deity. With more than 170 pieces, the show is educational, fascinating, and varied -Vishnu takes on different bodies, so you'll see depictions of him as both a fighter and a seducer (but always with a blue skin).

11 am-6 pm. "Vishnu: Hindusim's Blue-Skinned Savior" at the Brooklyn Museum [200 Eastern Pkwy. at Washington Avenue in Prospect Heights, (718) 638-5000]. Suggested contribution \$10. For info, visit www.

Good 'Grief': The "emotionally barren wasteland that is modern city life" is the focus of the play "Grief," opening July 6 at the

#### **THURSDAY**

Modern

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and, most impor-

tantly, relatable.

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be funny, enjoyable,

8:30 pm. "The Miser" at

Street in Park Slope, (718)

768-3195]. Free. For info,

the Old Stone House

[Fifth Avenue at Third

visit www.theoldstone

but not this modern adaptation of "The

July 7



July 8

**FRIDAY** 

#### Cosmic canal

The Vertical Player Repertory is sexing up the Gowanus Canal with a 17thcentury opera about love, seduction and lust among the Greek gods. Fire escapes will become stairways to heaven, alleyways will be used for steamy affairs, and a live baroque ensemble will fill the couryard with music. Sounds

8 pm. "La Calisto" at Proteus Gowanus [543 Union St. at Nevins Street in Gowanus, (718) 243-1572]. Tickets \$30. For info, visit www.vpropera.org.

heavenly.

# **NINE DAYS IN BROOKLYN**

#### FRI, JULY 1

FILM, "DON'T BOTHER TO KNOCK": As part of a retrospective on Marilyn Monroe. \$12, \$7 members. 4:30 and 9:15 pm. Brooklyn Academy of Music [30 Lafayette Ave. near St. Felix Street in Fort Greene, (718) 636-4100], www.bam.org. TNA WRESTLING'S BASEBRAWL:

Mats will be pounded. \$25-\$90. 7 pm. MCU Park [1904 Surf Ave. at W. 17th St. in Coney Island, (718) 449-8497], www.brooklyncyclones.com.

MUSIC, BADFISH: A tribute to Sublime. \$15, 7:30 pm. Brooklyn Bowl [61 Wythe Ave. between N. 11th and N. 12th streets in Williamsburg, (718) 963-3369], www.brooklynbrodes bowl.com.
THEATER, "DEATH VALLEY": The
zombie and Western genres collide
in this darkly comic play. \$15. 8 pm.
The Bushwick Starr (207 Starr St. be-

een Wyckoff and Irving avenues in Bushwick), www.thebushwickstarr.org.
MUSIC, 4TH STREET NITEOWLS: 8

pm. Barbes [376 Ninth St. at Sixth Avenue in Park Slope, (718) 965-9177], www.barbesbrooklyn.com.

MUSIC, CLASSICAL CONCERT: Cello works with Yoed Nir, cello. \$35 (\$30 seniors, \$15 students). 8 pm. Bargemusic [Fulton Ferry Landing, Old Fulton Street and Furman Street in DUMBO, (718) 624-2083], www.

bargemusic.org.
FIREWORKS: Watch the Boardwalk Street and Boardwalk in Coney

MUSIC, KARAOKE: Free. Midnight Union Hall [702 Union St. at Fifth Avenue in Park Slope, (718) 638-4400], www.unionhallny.com.

SAT, JULY 2

**OUTDOORS AND TOURS** 

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**CALENDAR** 

THURS, JULY 7

Brooklyn Marriott [333 Adams St.

in Downtown, (917) 804-0797].

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#### **PERFORMANCE**

MUSIC, NE-YO: The hip-hop star per-forms for soldiers and their families, including active duty and reserve service members, National Guard, retirees, and veterans, as well as FDNY and NYPD. Must register in advance. Free. 4 pm. Fort Hamilton [101st Street and Fort Hamilton Parkway in Dyker Heights, (718) 630-4772], hamiltonmwr.com.

MUSIC, BANDA SINALOENSE DE LOS MUERTOS: 8 pm. Barbes [376 Ninth St. at Sixth Avenue in Park Slope, (718) 965-9177], www. barbesbrooklyn.com.

tions by Beethoven, Schubert, with Steven Beck on piano. \$35 (\$30 seniors, \$15 students). 8 pm. Bargemusic [Fulton Ferry Landing, Old Fulton Street and Furman Street in DUMBO, (718) 624-2083], www. bargemusic.org.

#### **SALES AND MARKETS**

ARTISTS AND FLEAS: 8 am-4 pm. [70 N. Seventh St. between Wythe and Kent avenues in Williamsburg, (917) 301-5765], artistsandfleas.com. SMORGASBURG: A gastro-centric marketplace from the people be-

hind Brooklyn Flea. 9 am-5 pm.

(East River between N. Sixth and N.

MUSIC, CLASSICAL CONCERT: Selec-

#### SUN, JULY 3

Seventh streets in Williamsburg),

vendors. 10 am–5 pm. (176 Lafay-ette Ave between Clermont and Vanderbilt avenues in Fort Greene),

**OTHER** 

SOCCER: It's USA versus Colombia

in the Women's World Cup. Free. Noon. Brooklyn Bowl (61 Wythe Ave. between N. 11th and N. 12th streets in Williamsburg, (718) 963-3369], www.brooklynbowl.com. FILM, "THE SEVEN YEAR ITCH": AS

part of a retrospective on Marilyn Monroe. \$12, \$7 members. 2, 4:30, 6:50 and 9:15 pm. Brooklyn Acad-emy of Music [30 Lafayette Ave. near St. Felix Street in Fort Greene, (718) 636-4100], www.bam.org.

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"Rock N' Roll Summer" film series. \$6. 8:30 pm. Coney Island Museum

Avenue and West 12th Street in Coney Island, (718) 907-3409], www. coneyisland.com/films.

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in Fort Greene, (718) 636-4100], www.bam.org.

FILM, "HAIRSPRAY": As part of the

FILM, "THE ASPHALT JUNGLE": As part of a retrospective on Marilyn Monroe. \$12, \$7 members. 6:50

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Dixieland band provides live accompaniment to silent films. \$10. 8 pm. Jalopy [315 Columbia St. between Hamilton Avenue and Woodhull Street in Columbia Street Waterfront, (718) 395-3214], www.

ARTISTS AND FLEAS: 8 am-6 pm. See Saturday, July 2.

BROOKLYN FLEA: Vintage, antique, handmade, and food vendors. 10 am–5 pm. (27 N. 6 St. at Kent Av-enue in Williamsburg), www.brooklynflea.com.

FILM, "STAR WARS" MARATHON: Watch all six films and participate in a costume contest for the best and worst — recreations of classic characters. Free. 1 pm. The Wicked Monk [8415 Fifth Ave. at 84th Street in Bay Ridge, (718) 921-0601], bkstarwarsmarthon2011.blogspot

FILM, "SOME LIKE IT HOT": As part of a retrospective on Marilyn Mon-roe. \$12, \$7 members. 2, 4:30, 6:50

and 9:30 pm. Brooklyn Academy of Music [30 Lafayette Ave. near St. Felix Street in Fort Greene, (718) 636-4100], www.bam.org.

#### MON, JULY 4

Independence Day MUSIC, FOURTH OF JULY OUTLAW

BBQ: Drink beer, eat BBQ and listen to some outlaw country and listen to some outlaw country and hillbilly, courtesy of Bob Wayne and The Outlaw Carnies, Sean Kershaw and the Terrible Two, and Hickory Hawkins and the Panty Sniffers. \$10. \$10. Public Assembly [70 N. Sixth St. at Wythe Avenue in Williamsburg, (718) 782-5188], www.publicassemblyaye.com

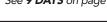
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The dance: The Giglio, an Italian feast that features the lifting of an 80-foot tall, three-ton statue, kicks off in Williamsburg on July 6, with the first "dance" on July 10.

# Feast company

Williamsburg's favorite fest, the Giglio, is back

BAR SCRAWL

By Alex Rush The Brooklyn Paper

he more things change, the more the Feast of the Giglio stays the same.

The Williamsburg tradition of local strongmen hoisting a three-ton statue of a saint while onlookers snack on Italian street food hasn't changed much in its 124-year history. And that's just the way frequent feastgoers like it.

"People who have grown up in the neighborhood want the tradition to stay the same so they can experience it year after year," said Vinny Occuito, this summer's head "Capo," who directs the Giglio

The Feast of the Giglio honors Italy's St. Paulinus, who in the fifth century offered himself into slavery to save his son and then

For instance

managed to escape. When he returned to his hometown, he was showered with lilies. The church-sponsored Havemeyer Street celebration pays tribute to St. Paulinus with the giglio,

#### FESTIVAL

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Feast Our Lady of Nt. Carmel Feast and Festival of the Giglio [275 N. Eighth St. at Havemeyer Street in Williamsburg, (718) 384-0223], July 6-17. The giglio is lifted on July 10 at 1 pm, July 13 at 6 pm and July 17 at 1 pm. For info, visit www.olmcfeast. com.

> which means lily but is actually a giant tower equipped with a model of the saint.

After more than 120 years, the "Dancing of the Giglio" is still the festival's main at-

There are a lot of things to like about Bar Great Harry.

traction. Who wouldn't want to see 130 men carry a lilycovered, 80-foot-tall tower on their shoulders through the street for five hours? And if that wasn't enough heavylifting, an additional 120 men parade around with a lifesize reproduction of St. Paulinus's boat. Three lifts will occur during the festival, the first on July 10.

Of course, the Feast is also famous for its carnival rides, fried dough-hawking vendors and daily masses at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church. Salud!

The 21 ever-changing craft beers

By Bill Roundy

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## **Knish knice**

Learn about them at The Brainery

**By Meredith Deliso** The Brooklyn Paper

he knish is ready for its comeback. The borough's knish-

once as common as bagel stores and pizzerias have all closed, but Park Sloper Laura Silver thinks that a potato pie renaissance is just ahead. To do her part, Silver, the

leading expert on the cabbage-, potato-, meat- or kashastuffeddough, will lead a twosession course next week at Brooklyn Brainery. "The knish is a repository

or culture, history and mem-- the manifestation of 6,000 years of history, said Silver. "Now it's hard to get a good knish. But I am hopeful about a knish renaissance. It's time."

The biggest blow to knish consciousness came in 2005, when Mrs. Stahls closed after 60 years in Brighton Beach. So few people even remember the knish that Silver's class will start with an exploration of its Eastern European Jewish origin through legends and songs, and move onto tastings, with samples of old-school knishes from Adelmans Deli on Kings Highway and a new interpretation from Mile End in



Holy knish!: Raise your knish consciousness, as Laura Silver leads a two-part course on the doughy pastry at Carroll Gardens's Brooklyn Brainery starting July 6.

Boerum Hill.

"Sometimes we'll get really creative. We did a roasted asparagus one re-cently that was really nice," said Leslie Wallick, a server at the Boerum Hill deli. "It tends to be with what seasonal vegetables we have."

Eventually, Silver hopes to hold a course on making the doughy dish, so knish enthusiasts can get creative themselves.

"It's a communal activity — it's all about bringing people together," said Silver. "My vision is to have the biggest knish baking session on record.'

Knish 101 at Brooklyn Brainery (515 Court Street at W. Ninth Street in Carroll Gardens, no phone), July 6 and 13 from 7-8:30 pm, \$30 for the two classes. For info, visit www.brooklynbrainery.com.

#### (More taps at the other end of the bar.) bourbons & rye whiskeys People-watching out the open doors to Its liberal policy on doggies Pinball machines in the back room. And every time I sit at the bar, someone strikes up a conversation What's that you're drinking?

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## The bugs are back

### Ladybug Transistor returns to Knitting Factory



Squashed: Brooklyn band the Ladybug Transistor is back with some new additions and a new sound — without losing the band's signature dreamy pop.

#### **By Meredith Deliso** for The Brooklyn Paper

he Ladybug Transistor may no longer name albums after Ditmas Park streets, but it's still very much a

Since releasing its first album, 'Marlborough Farms," in 1995, the band's been anchored in Flatbush specifically, lead singer Gary Olson's house on Marlborough Street, which features a basement recording studio and is fondly nicknamed after that

"When I first moved to the area, I liked the idea of a more communal living situation," explained the Midwood native about that curious name. "I would just read about hippy commune working farms. I wanted to start my own cult out here in Brooklyn."

Olson may not have started a hippy cult per se, but he has achieved a nice following for the band's New Wave-inspired pop rock, established in "Marlborough Farms" and the follow-ups, "Beverley Atonale," "The Albemarle Sound" and "Argyle Heir" titles are a who's who of Ditmas Park

### THE ALGO-RHYTHM

The Ladybug Transistor has been making albums in Brooklyn before Williamsburg was cool, wearing its new wave influences on its sleeve. But to really get a sense of what it's all about, we leave that up to the math of the Algo-rhythm.



Take the new wave aesthetic of Joy Division's 1979 debut, "Unknown Pleasures." Then



Morrissey's inflections and melancholy on The Smiths 1986 album, "The Queens is Dead." Then add...



The playful melodies of Belle and Sebastian on its 1996 album, "If You're Feeling Sinister. The



The Ladybug Tran sistor's seventh album, "Clutching Stems."

On the band's seventh album, 'Clutching Stems," romantic flourishes make for some of the best moments, particularly on the standout track, "Oh Christina." It begins optimistically enough with the sounds of seagulls and train announcements. recorded on a band field trip out to Brighton Beach, before Olson's Morrissey-esque baritone references other heartbreak songs with such lyrics as 'love would tear us apart.'

"That song is about getting a crush on the subway, which is easy to do," said

#### MUSIC

The Ladybug Transistor at the Knitting Factory [361 Metropolitan Ave. at Havemayer Street in Williamsburg, (347) 529-6696], July 6 at 8:30 pm. Tickets \$12. For info, visit bk.knittingfactory.com.

Olson. "It happens to everyone."

The album has a heavy heart, but it's due in large part to the death of the band's drummer, San Fadyl, four years ago to an asthma attack, rather than failed relationships.

'Sadness runs through there a lot." said Olson. "It's hard to be specific, but San's influence is there and a lot of his heart is in there. We carry a lot of him around."

On July 6, the band will sing about subway dalliances, break-ups and loss with a show at the Knitting Factory in Williamsburg.

"We haven't done like a proper local show in a long time," said Olson. "We're really looking forward to that one."



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VIDBEL CIRCUS: Trapeze

artists, jugglers and equestrians galore. \$10, children under 2 are free. 5 and 7:30 pm. (Stillwell Avenue and the Boardwalk in Coney Island), www.circusvidbel

FILM, "BUS STOP": As part of a retrospective on Marilyn Monroe. \$12, \$7 members. 6:50 and 9:15pm. Brook-lyn Academy of Music [30 Lafayette Ave. near St. Felix Street in Fort Greene, (718) 636-4100], www.bam.org.

#### WED, JULY 6

VIDBEL CIRCUS: 5 and 7:30 pm. See Tuesday, July 5.
FILM, "MONKEY BUSINESS": As part of a retrospective on Marilyn Monroe. \$12, \$7 members. 6:50 and 9:15pm. Brooklyn Academy of Music [30 Lafayette Ave. near St. Felix Street in Fort Greene, (718) 636-4100], www.bam.org. TALK, "KNISH 101": Get

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JAMES AUSFARKT: \$12. 8:30 pm. Knitting Factory [361 Metropolitan Ave. at Havemeyer Street in Wil-liamsburg, (347) 529-6696], ny.knittingfactory.com.

8 pm. See Friday, July 1.

MUSIC, THE LADYBUG TRANSISTOR, THE BEETS, JAMES AUSFAHRT: \$12.

THURS, JULY 7 VIDBEL CIRCUS: 3 and 5:30 FILM, "MANHATTAN": As part of the "Movies with a View" film series. Free. 6

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CORTES: Author and illustrator, respectively, of "Go the F—k to Sleep." Free. 7 pm. PowerHouse Arena [37 Main St. at Water Street in DUMBO, (718) 666-3049], www.powerhousearena

THEATER, "DEATH VALLEY": 8 pm. See Friday, July 1. THEATER, "THE MISER": Mo liere's satirical comedy gets a modern twist by Piper Theatre. Free. 8:30 pm. Old Stone House [336 Third St.

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#### FRI, JULY 8

VIDBEL CIRCUS: 4 and 6:30 pm. See Tuesday, July 5. FILM, "NIAGARA": As part of a retrospective on Marilyn Monroe. \$12, \$7 members. 6:50 and 9:15pm. Brooklyn Academy of Music [30 Lafayette Ave. near St. Felix Street in Fort Greene, (718) 636-4100], www.bam.org.

MUSIC, LOS LOBOS: As part of the Celebrate Brooklyn festival. Free. 7 pm. Pros-pect Park Band Shell [Pros-pect Park West and Ninth Street in Park Slope, (718) 965-8900], www.bricarts-media.org/cb.

THEATER, "DEATH VALLEY": 8 pm. See Friday, July 1.

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THEATER, "THE MISER": 8:30 pm. See Thursday, July 7.

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ough.org.
THEATER, "DEATH VALLEY":

#### 8 pm. See Friday, July 1. **SALES AND MARKETS**

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### **OTHER**

"NATIVE NEW YORKERS": See Friday, July 1.
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## Life is not just Kodak moments

very year as school ends, I feel a little sentimental. One more milestone in my daughters' lives, another notch on their backpacks, another year closer to their college departures. I'm certainly able to anticipate and enjoy their transitions, one finishing seventh grade, the other 10th, but I'm conscious of how many endings occur without notice, only later recognizing a special moment passed me by.

School is easy. I know nearly a year in advance when the last day will be so I can have a camera ready. But I couldn't tell you the last time I held my younger daughter's hand to cross a street. I thought of this the other day when we ing to a doctor's office and my eldest took my hand as we walked down the street. The feeling was so familiar, having held her hand often when it was much smaller, dirtier, weaker, I couldn't remember when we stopped the routine, but knew it had been years. Now her hand is nearly as big as mine, hardly recognizable as my child's.

Some changes are momentous and can't be missed leaving the crib for a bed, learning to ride bikes in Cadman Plaza without the training wheels. But most changes just happen.

I like to think I'm present in the moments I'm with my girls, enjoying both the special activities, like going to Citi Field each summer,

things like talking about movies at the video store or cooking pancakes together on weekend morn-

Yet so much is

missed; only in looking back at the sweep of a month or a year, do I recognize what's happened. It's like the ageold phenomenon that I don't notice my daughters getting taller because I see them each day, but their grandparents notice immediately, identifying the change that has es-

Of course being a parent is about the minutiae of living, getting them dressed, fed and off to school, making sure

caped my sight.

the laundry and the homework is done, that they've made it to soccer or gymnastics practice on time and with a hair tie.

By Scott Sager

Events and performances often provide a moment to sit back and take notice. My older daughter took singing at school this year and would practice in her room, door closed, often when I walked the dog it seemed. Watchand the progress, the results tracted with e-mail and phone Her growth as a person

is even more remarkable, as she's come to own Brooklyn and Manhattan for herself, the subways, stores and neighborhoods, meeting friends for meals and movies. When did that happen? How did she get so grown up?

I took my younger daughter camp shopping last weekend and was relegated to a corner with a book while she perused the racks and aisles, coming to me only when it was time to pull out the plastic. I used to get to help pick and choose clothes, confirm sizes and express opinions on colors. When did that end? I couldn't tell you.

It's not about being too busy to notice or always dis-

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calls. I know I was there the last time I walked my older daughter to school, carrying instruments and talking about the day ahead as we walked down Monroe Place, until I was dismissed at the corner so her friends wouldn't see me. The next day, she probably said she couldn't wait for me and went off on her own. And that was it.

Even standing here, watching, life moves on and their childhoods fly by. Eighth grade and 11th Grade begin on Wednesday, Sept. 7, 2011 and end on June 12, 2012. I'll be there, camera in hand, but so much will happen in between and I just won't realize their worlds are changing until they already have.

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The gravel lot in Williamsburg is largely unused, save for a concert series last summer called Rock yard organized by Jelly NYC. The series featured beer, as well as food and a slip-n-slide. The Rooftop Films inci-

dent comes in the wake of previous liquor disputes in the area. In April, some community leaders called for a moratorium on all new liquor licenses in Williamsburg and Greenpoint (that move was later abandoned — at least

for now). Before that, Bushwick gallery Arch Collective complained about multiple cases of patrons getting hit with summonses for drinking beer at openings, most recently in February. And last spring, cops shut down promoter Todd Patrick's Market Hotel music hall in Bushwick for operating without a liquor license

This is not Rooftop Films' first brush with city bureaucracy. Last December, the FDNY shut down a sold-out screening in a tunnel below Atlantic Avenue, citing safety

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### DRIVERS...

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• Most surprising offense: 110 tickets given out to motorists who had children with them, but no child seats.

#### **Park Slope**

• Biggest offense: 829 cellphone summonses. • Smallest offense: Three

tickets to motorists with expired inspections. • Most surprising offense:

105 tickets were given out to unlicensed drivers

#### **Brooklyn Heights** and DUMBO

• Biggest offense: 801 tickets to motorists making improper turns (likely a result of changes on Til-

 Smallest offense: Three tickets to commercial vehicles driving on a parkway.

 Most surprising offense: 117 motorists were ticketed for driving the wrong way on a one-way street.

#### Clinton Hill

• Biggest offense: 1,163 tickets were for cellphone

Fort Greene and

ticket given out to a driver who failed to yield the right • Most surprising offense:

850 tickets were given out

to motorists ignoring stop

Smallest offense: One

Williamsburg

• Biggest offense: 1,280 tickets for cellphone use.

· Smallest offense: One ticket to a motorist caught driving in a bus lane. Another was written out to someone making an unsafe lane change. • Most surprising offense:

267 motorists were ticketed for blowing through red lights.

#### Greenpoint

• Biggest offense: 1,288 summonses for talking on a cellphone without an ear-

· Smallest offense: Two tickets were given out to motorists who refused to give pedestrians the right of way

 Most surprising offense that's not surprising at all, given how cars use McGuinness Boulevard: 137 tickets

### CORN...

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lyn delegation in this corntastrophe. "But to be honest, I was more focused on passing legislation that gave all New Yorkers the rights they deserve." Squadron's vote gave his

not a vegetable," said Conbread out of it.'

state fruit, however, is al-

to care that a fruit was now the state vegetable. "Vegetable is a non-botanical term — if you want to call corn what it is, it's a monocot," said Annie Novak, who grows more onion than corn at her Eagle

who joined the entire Brook-

predecessor, former Sen. Marty Connor, a chance to mock the man who defeated him in 2008. "Isn't that terrible — it's

nor. "It's a grain; you make For the record, a grain is actually a form of fruit. The

ready the apple, our principal agricultural product. Despite widespread mockery of the Albany vote, many farmers didn't seem

Street Rooftop Farm in Greenpoint.

But she's OK with corn's

'Eaten on the cob, it's a veggie all the way," she And Brooklyn restaurants say corn is by far a

> ions are merely a "component" to any dish. "Corn is delicious and more readily eaten so maybe that had something to do with the vote," said Calexico co-owner David Vendley, who uses corn in his tortillas, chips, salsas, and

more popular ingredient

among diners while on-

"elote," or Mexican-style corn on the cob. Yes, popularity can turn a talentless singer into a pop

phenomenon, but it can't make a grain a vegetable. And onion has a much stronger-smelling claim on

being the state vegetable. Farms in New York State grow both crops, of course, but New York is the second-largest onion producing state in the country, behind Texas. We're far from the largest corn grower.

And the city's original nickname was "The Big Onion," which was actu-



Joe Lentol: "Corn is in fact a grain."

ally derogatory.

Seth Kamil, who has been leading walking tours of Brooklyn and its outer boroughs since 1991, named his company, Big Onion Walking Tour, as a metaphor for peeling away the city's lay-

ers of history. Kamil said that the Senate made a mistake and the vote should be shucked.

"Declaring corn as a vegetable is ridiculous," said Kamil. "Corn is a Nebraska  $thing-their football \, team \, is$ called the Cornhuskers."

The bill currently awaits approval of the Assembly, where several Brooklyn legislators, including Assemblyman Hakeem Jeffries (D-Fort Greene support corn.

"I'm corn all the way,"

said Jeffries

lawmakers have tried to re-

ried the day.

by Assemblyman Joe Lentol (D-Greenpoint), who has replaced Connor as the state's leading opponent of the vegetablization of corn.

course, said Brad Estabrooke, who owns the Breuckelen Distilling Company, a Sunset Park-based gin mill.

tabrooke. "We don't make bourbon, which is made primarily from corn."

#### It's not the first time that

write the definition of corn.

declare a state vegetable came up through the state Senate. but was shucked by Connor, who made a passionate "nonvegetable" argument that car-

York's esteemed school of agriculture at Cornell University have said that corn is in fact a grain — so onion has a chance for a comeback," he said.

just name a state grain. Which should be wheat, of

'We use wheat for our gin and our whiskey," said Es-

#### THEATER. Continued from page 1 The massive amount of

ible, the 35-foot-tall main stage will have a trapped door, and state-of-the-art acoustics will allow spectators to hear whispered

struction, including \$1.5 million allocated by Borough President Markowitz covering 70 percent of the total cost. The company will have a long-term lease with the city, with the option of purchasing the building after 30 years. 'Theatre for a New

nearly 40 years wandering in the glittering desert known as Manhattan, but you weren't lost, because now you've found your way to the big stage in Brooklyn," Markowitz told a crowd that included Deputy Mayor Patricia Harris. Tony-winning actor Mark Rylance and former Brooklyn Academy of Music President Harvey Lichtenstein, who set the BAM Cultural District vision into motion a decade ago

city funding is part of Mayor Bloomberg's plan to commit \$100 million to the cultural district over the next few years.

but the soaring project's budget and three location changes kept the troupe without its dream home. Plans for its new design, sans original starchitect Frank Gehry, were presented last year, but Taymor's involvement in the first show is a new development.

Taymor directed four Audience may have spent plays for the troupe, including Carlo Gozzi's "The Green Bird," which moved to Broadway in 2000, and Shakespeare's "The Tem-

> other city-funded venues in the BAM Cultural District include the BAM Harvey Theater on Rockwell Place and uncoming renovations to the old Strand Theater on Fulton Street, which will be home to the organization behind the "Celebrate Brook-

### MONTHLY HEALTH TIPS from New York Methodist Hospital

### Don't Let It Get On **Your Nerves: Treating Peripheral Neuropathy**

By Cary Buckner, M.D.,

Vice Chairman of Neurosciences, New York Methodist Hospital

Over 20 million Americans are impacted by some form of peripheral neuropathy. The condition results from damage to the pe ripheral nerves, which connect the brain and the spinal cord (the central nervous system) to limbs and organs. Damage to the nerves can be caused by illnesses such as Lyme disease, cancer, kidney failure, rheumatoid arthritis or nutritional déficiencies. It is also sometimes a side effect of chemotherapy. One of the most common causes is diabetes. While the causes of peripheral neuropathy vary, they tend to produce similar symptoms: most often patients suffering from neuropathy will experience pain, weakness, numbness, burning, tickling or tingling sensations ("pins and needles") in the legs, feet, arms and hands and/or difficulty walking. Peripheral neuropathy can occur at any age but is most common among older adults. It may arrive suddenly or progress gradually, over a period of years. Although many people develop the symp-

toms of neuropathy, public awareness of this condition is low; often, those who have one or more signs and symptoms remain undiagnosed for months or years. Even more important, neuropathy may be the first sign of a previously undiagnosed condition, including diabetes, hepatitis, and infectious or rheumatologic disease. Individuals who develop symptoms without an obvious cause should

Fortunately, neuropathy can frequently be managed and fully controlled, especially when

diagnosis and understanding are established at an early stage. With mild symptoms, adjusting lifestyle choices can alleviate neuropathy. Daily exercise can relieve symptoms of pain and can keep blood sugar levels under control for patients with neuropathy who also have diabetes. Foot care, especially for patients with diabetes is important; tight shoes and socks can increase pain and limit circulation. Smoking cessation can increase blood circulation and decrease tingling sensations. Healthy eating is also important because it ensures that patients get essential vitamins and minerals. Emphasis should be placed on low-fat meats and dairy products, with lots of fruits, vegetables and whole grains included in the diet. If the symptoms do not abate, patients with neuropathy may be treated with medications

topical anesthetics, anti-seizure medications (which have been proven to decrease nerve pain) and anti-depressants, which have been found to help relieve discomfort by interfering with chemical processes in the brain and spinal cord pain centers. It is important to remember that neuropathy can be the marker for a more significant health problem and that treatment of the neuropathy

that have been proven to relieve pain, such as

depends, in part, on the underlying cause. It's a good idea to consult your doctor at the first signs. Though it is important to understand the causes, regardless of whether the neuropathy is symptomatic or idiopathic (without cause) it is often a manageable condition.

### BLOTTER...

Continued from page 4 sic Petula Clark song, "Don't Sleep in the Subway (Darling)." — Kate Briquelet

76TH PRECINCT

Carroll Gardens-Cobble Hill-Red Hook **McMenace** 

An unhinged fast-food lover opened fire on a Mc-Donald's employee on June 25 during a brief exchange at

the Hamilton Avenue eatery's

drive-thru window.

The feisty fry-guy rolled up to the window near Centre Street in a Chevy Trailblazer with Virginia plates at 1 am and immediately got into an argument with the em-

ployee taking his order.

caliber pistol — firing off a round that hit a second employee in the buttocks. **Gunpoint cash** 

The thug punched the female worker, then pulled a .25

A gun-toting thug attacked a 27-year-old man on Smith Street on June 21 just moments after the victim left an ATM — but ran off without any cash. The victim had just fin-

ished his banking between Warren and Baltic streets at 2 am when the thief approached, demanding the man's money. The 27-year-old ignored the stranger, but the thug

pulled his gun and attacked,

leaving the victim with deep

cuts to the neck and ear that needed 28 stitches to close. **Lorraine loot** 

Two goons mugged a edge.

the next day. The victim had just entered the lobby of the building near Hicks Street at 10:45 am when the suspects pulled a gun on him and told him

Street apartment building on

June 13 — but the thieves

who allegedly ran off with

the stolen loot was arrested

to lie on the floor. The thieves took an iTouch and a \$1 bill, but were soon

**Clothing caper** A thief broke into a 2002

Chevrolet Avalanche on Bal-

tic Street on June 24, taking

thousands of dollars worth of

Gucci designer clothes.

Nimble teen

and Smith streets.

The natty dresser parked between Court and Smith streets at 10 pm. When he returned to the car at 9 am the next day, he learned that someone had busted his driver's-side window and removed the pricey jeans and shirts.

aged to slip a Casio watch off a 13-year-old boy's wrist while admiring the timepiece its tenant was out for a few during a chance June 25 meetminutes on June 23. ing at the corner of President

A 15-year-old thief man-

ing the corner at 10:10 pm when the young woman, who was with a group of other teens, commented on how nice his watch was. She asked to look at it then managed to unclasp it

without her victim's knowl-

— Thomas Tracy

The victim was approach-

Four years ago, the bid to

That role may be picked up

"Experts from New

And yet some Brooklynites believe that legislators are wasting their time with vegetables and should

#### **68TH PRECINCT**

Bay Ridge-Dyker Heights **Backsmack** 

A thug smacked a man

over the head and stole his

backpack on 67th Street on June 22. The victim told cops he was near Ninth Avenue at midnight when a man jumped out of a white sedan and demanded his cellphone. The victim ignored the command, so the perp punched him the back of the head, threw him to the ground, and wrestled

#### off his backpack. **Tiny terror**

A violent thief assaulted a woman and stole her cellphone on Fourth Avenue on June 20, but cops grabbed the alleged teen perp soon after. The victim told cops she

was near Ovington Avenue at

around 2:15 pm when the teen

pushed her to the ground, cutting her knee in the scuffle before he grabbed the phone and ran toward the subway. But that's where cops a suspect, and charged him with the crime.

Got the time? Thieves snatched two expensive watches out of a 93rd Street apartment while

with a combined value of

The man could not say

— Dan MacLeod

with certitude that he hadn't

\$9,800 — missing.

left the door open.

The victim told cops that he left the unit, which is between Third and Fourth avenues, at 11:43 am and came back just seven minutes later to find two luxury watches

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CORDINE GREEN plaintiff -against- BARRINGTON L DIXON, Defendant.

UPON the annexed affida-vit of CORDINE GREEN, sworn to on the 5th day of May, 2011, and the affida-vit of the process server, LEONARD SAFRAN, sworn to on the 11th day of April, 2011, and upon the annexed of SHAWN KASSMAN, ESQ., affirmed on the 31st day of May 2011, and the Court having been satisfied that reasonable attempts have been made to serve the annexed Summons with Notice upon the defendant personally,

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